IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

27. A water control system for prisons, comprising:

a fixture;

a source of water;

a valve interposed between said fixture and said source of water for controlling water flow therebetween;

a detector operably associated with said fixture for requesting operation of said fixture; and

a controller operably associated with said valve and said detector, said controller for delaying operation of said fixture for an adjustable selected period of time after actuation of said detector.

Please cancel claim 35 without prejudice.

42. A water control system for prisons, comprising:

a plurality of fixtures;

a source of water;

a plurality of valves for controlling water flow, each one of said plurality of valves interposed between a corresponding one of said plurality of fixtures and said source of water;

a plurality of detectors operably associated with said plurality of fixtures, each one of said plurality of detectors for requesting operation of one of said plurality of fixtures; and

a controller remotely located from said plurality of fixtures and operably associated with said plurality of valves and said plurality of detectors, said controller comprising a first plurality of leads for receiving demand signals from said plurality of detectors, each demand signal for requesting operation of one of said plurality of fixtures, a second plurality of leads for transmitting control signals, each control signal for initiating operation of one of said plurality of fixtures, said controller determining which one of said plurality of detectors is

requesting operation and causing a delay in operation for an adjustable selected period of time subsequent to actuation of one of said plurality of detectors.

Please cancel claim 47 without prejudice.

48. A method of controlling water flow in a prison plumbing system, comprising the steps of:

initiating a demand signal from a detector operably associated with a plumbing fixture;

determining which detector and associated fixture is requesting operation upon receipt of the demand signal;

delaying operation of a valve operably associated with the fixture, thereby delaying operation of the fixture, for an adjustable selected period of time subsequent to actuation of the detector; and

permitting operation of the fixture after expiration of the adjustable selected period of time.

49. The method of claim 48, further comprising the step of adjusting the adjustable selected period of time for delaying operation of the fixture.